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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Office Action mailed June 5, 2002 in connection with the above-identified patent application, Applicant requests that the application be amended as follows.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page ⁹ 8, line ⁷ 27 with the following paragraph:

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These sequences were obtained by searching Genbank for the appropriate gene name. These sequences were analyzed using an open reading frame finder program at the National Center for Biotechnology Information and is publicly available through the Internet at the world wide web at, for example, ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/cgi-bin/gorf/orfig. The initiation of translation site was found and a 21 base antisense molecule complementary to the region spanning 8 bases 5' to 13 bases 3' (-8 to